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Withholding Tax **Electronic Funds Transfer**

ACH Credit Method

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General Information

Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) is a method of electronically transmitting tax return information and payments to the Tax Commission in lieu of paper-based documents. EFT is less costly than manual check processing, and is guick and convenient. It also allows the state to better manage incom-

Electronic transmission of these documents is considered legal and enforceable.

This publication explains how to remit withholding tax payments using the ACH Credit method.

NOTE: This method is NOT processed on the Internet through PaymentExpress.

Pre-authorization

Electronic transmission of Utah withholding information and payments is voluntary. However, you must apply to the Utah State Tax Commission in advance of participating in electronic remittance of state withholding tax. To request approval, complete and submit form TC-86, Application to Remit Utah State Withholding Tax Payments, included in this publication. A letter will be sent back to you to confirm acceptance into the EFT program.

Rules and Guidelines

All statutes and rules concerning Utah State withholding taxes for reporting periods and payment deadlines remain in effect and are not changed by these electronic funds transfer procedures.

Tax payments remitted electronically must arrive in the Tax Commission withholding bank account no later than the day the tax is due to avoid penalties. The banking industry's Automated Clearing House (ACH) system requires a minimum of one business day to operate, so EFT payments must be initiated at least one working day before the tax due date. The authorized transfer will then be credited to the Tax Commission the next working day. Check with your bank for processing procedures.

Do not submit paper withholding tax return coupons when withholding tax payments are remitted electronically. The only time a paper return should be submitted is when there is a problem and the tax payment cannot be remitted electronically. An amended return, TC-96A, may not be filed electronically. Once the original EFT has been completed for a period, all other adjustments to that period must be made using paper coupons.

EFT may not be used to file the TC-96R, Utah Annual Withholding Reconciliation, or the TC-96RC, Utah Annual Withholding Corrected Reconciliation.

Annual reconciliation reporting is available using magnetic media and electronically through the Tax Commission website. Specifications and procedures are contained in Pub. 32, Instructions for Annual Reporting of W-2, 1099R, and TC-675R Information. The annual reconciliation is due by the last day of February following the end of the tax year.

Getting Started

The taxpayer must authorize his bank to originate an Automated Clearing House (ACH) with a CCD + Addendum and transfer of the withholding tax amount due by the payment due date. The bank may require a specific Settlement Date the money is actually paid to the Tax Commission. The electronically remitted tax payment will be deducted from the taxpayer's account and credited to the Tax Commission's withholding tax account on the **Settlement Date** specified by the taxpayer in the transfer authorization.

Tax payments remitted by EFT must conform to the addendum transfer format and content requirements included in this publication. By correctly following the addendum, the taxpayer's withholding account can be credited properly.

A valid monthly filing or quarterly filing Tax Period End Date must be used when coding field 7 of the addendum transfer format and content requirements. This will ensure payments are credited properly. Using the transmission date or the due date in this field will delay processing. Valid Tax Period End Dates are shown later in this publication.

Filing the First EFT

A pre-note (test transmission) is not required. However, if the taxpayer elects to send an EFT pre-note before the first payment is made, a **zero** amount should be sent. Sending an amount other than zero on a pre-note will create errors in the taxpayer's withholding account. The taxpayer should notify the Tax Commission in advance of the pre-note by calling (801) 297-7626 or 1-800-662-4335 ext. 7626.

It is recommended the taxpayer notify the Tax Commission in advance of the first EFT payment also. This will enable the Tax Commission to establish a preliminary payment record and track the EFT in case of a problem. This step is recommended only for the first time an electronic remittance is sent.

Addendum Transfer Format and Content

The EFT must be made payable as follows:

Credit To:	Utah State Tax Commission
Bank:	Wells Fargo Bank
Routing No:	1240-00012
Account No:	51-08007-25

Addendum Record Format and Content

The transfer must conform to the Tax Payment (TXP) Banking Convention. The addendum record must be completed to include the fields as shown in this publication.

Field	Length	Contents	Description
1	3	TXP	Segment Identifier
2	1	*	Field Separator
3†	6	ANNNNN	Withholding account number (e.g. Y12345)
4	1	*	Field Separator
5	4	0110	Tax Type Code
6	1	*	Field Separator
7†	6	YYMMDD	Tax period end date (e.g. March 31, 2006 = 060331)
8	1	*	Field Separator
9	1	Т	Amount Type Code
10	1	*	Field Separator
11†	2-10	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$¢¢	Tax payment amount. Dollars and cents only. No decimals, commas, or leading zeros. Do not zero fill.
12	5	****	Field Separator
13†	6	AAAAA	Taxpayer ID verification. First six characters of the taxpayer's name. No common words, such as "the."
14	1	\	Segment Terminator

† Variable field provided by the taxpayer

2006 Monthly EFT End Dates

End Date on						
Month	the Addendum	Due Date				
January	060131	Feb. 28, 2006				
February	060228	March 31, 2006				
March	060331	May 1, 2006				
April	060430	May 31, 2006				
May	060531	June 30, 2006				
June	060630	July 31, 2006				
July	060731	Aug. 31, 2006				
August	060831	Oct. 2, 2006				
September	060930	Oct. 31, 2006				
October	061031	Nov. 30, 2006				
November	061130	Jan. 2, 2007				
December	061231	Jan. 31, 2007				

2006 Quarterly EFT End Dates

End Date on					
Quarter	the Addendum	Due Date			
Jan. – March	060331	May 1, 2006			
April – June	060630	July 31, 2006			
July – Sept.	060930	Oct. 31, 2006			
Oct. – Dec.	061231	Jan. 31, 2007			

Contact

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Application to Remit Utah State Withholding Tax Payments Through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) ACH Credit

TC-86

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Taxpayers choosing to remit Utah State withholding tax payments using EFT must agree to the terms and conditions set forth below. Complete and sign this application, and submit it to the Tax Commission at the address below.

Company Identification			
Company name			
Address			
City		State	Zip
Utah withholding tax account number		dentification number	
Contact person within the company		person's title	Phone
Company Authorization and Agreement			
The above named taxpayer elects to initiate tax payments funds transfer through the ACH Credit method. Funds will account to the Tax Commission's bank account.			
The Taxpayer will follow all procedures and will conform to fied by the Tax Commission in Pub. 43. All statutes and rule			
The taxpayer may terminate this agreement by sending least 10 days before taxes are due.	written n	otice to the Tax Commi	ssion's EFT Unit at
The signature of the taxpayer or authorized agent of each return/report transmitted by the taxpayer, as if a			med to appear on
Authorized signature			
Title		Date	
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To Request EFT Authorization...

- Fill out and sign the application form above.
- Mail to the address below or fax to (801) 297-7698

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